

The

Sweet

Family

In England, New England

and Illinois

CRIPPLE BOND

1951

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John Swete
(Inherited Trainee)

Robert Swete

1. John Sweet, 1579-1638
2. John Sweet, 1620-1677
3. Henry Sweet, 1657-_____
4. Benjamin Sweet, 1690-_____
5. Francis Sweet, 1725-post-1792
6. Jonathan Sweet, 1761-1837
7. Peleg Sweet, 1786-1850
8. Eliakim Abiud Sweet, 1830-1896

m. Joanna _____

m. Mary Periam, died 1681

m. Elizabeth Jeffrey, 1629-1684

m. Mary Griffin, _____

m. Susanna Spencer, _____

m. Sarah Herrington (?) _____

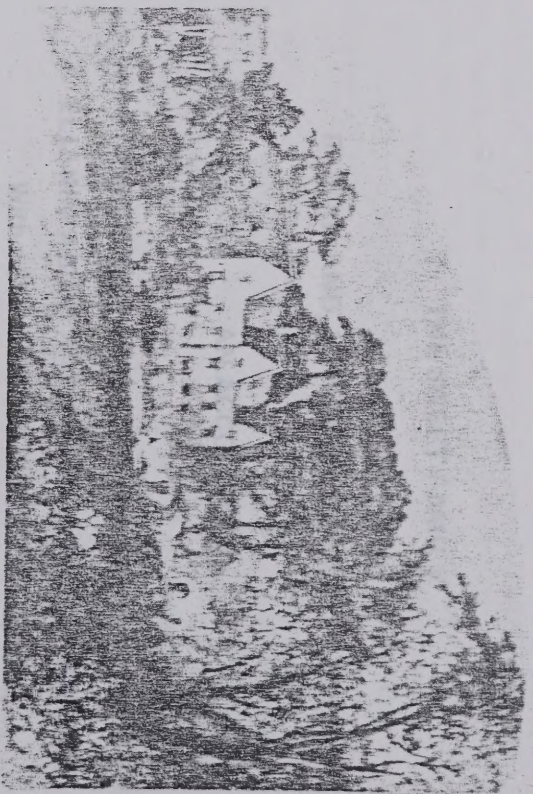
m. Temperance Holdredge, _____

m Abigail Cook Bardeen, _____-1870

m Mary Jane Spawr, 1852-1914

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Claymond Elton Hayes



Old Traire

in Madbury, England.

1663



Old Jones

is Woodstock College

1883

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AN ACCOUNT OF

The Family and Descendants Of
ELIAKIM ABIUD AND MARY JANE SPAWR SWEET,
With a Sketch of the SWEET family line.

By Raymond Elton Hayes
with the co-operation of Eunice Osborn Cutter
and other members of the family.

For all of the descendants of "Uncle Biud" and
"Aunt Jane" Sweet our deepest appreciation is
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and fortitude of those who have gone before us
and helped make it possible for us to lead our
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From Devonshire, England to New England to Illinois.

From Modbury, a town in Devonshire in southwest England, John and Mary Periam Sweet, with their daughter Meribah and their sons John and James, came to America in 1630 A. D. They were passengers on a ship of 120 tons. THE MARY AND JOHN. It was one of a fleet of eleven vessels. They sailed from Plymouth and several other English ports to North America to escape religious persecution.

Their leader was John Winthrop, a wealthy and influential Puritan lawyer and landholder from Suffolk. These vessels carried about 900 passengers to the New England shores. Nearly 200 of them died during their first year in America but most of the others remained as settlers. More emigrants came by the thousands. In ten years their numbers had grown to over 20,000 and the new Puritan commonwealth was securely established.

Part One: The English Background

Modbury today is a town of about 1,000 inhabitants, located in Devonshire on Rte. A379 a few miles southeast of the famous port of Plymouth. The area now, after centuries as a separate rural community, is becoming suburban, with local Plymouth telephone service and bus transportation.

The manor and the town of Modbury existed before the Norman Conquest of 1066 A.D. The Manor is listed in the Domesday Book, which was a census of property and persons taken for the convenience of the tax collectors of William the Conqueror. A member of the Swete family was included on that census roll from Devonshire. The village and manor were known then as 'Motberia', which had a Saxon meaning of 'Moot Burgh', or meeting place. Fairs were held there annually during the Middle Ages. Sheep grazed on the hills and the wool trade flourished.

The Romans had come to Britain to stay in 43 A.D. They conquered the native Britons and continued to rule them for almost four centuries. Remains of Roman buildings can be seen at nearby Bath and elsewhere. The decline of Roman power at home caused the emperor to order the legions out of Britain in 410 A.D. Thereafter the Angles, Saxons, and Jutes were free to invade from the continent and set up their tiny tribal kingdoms at will across the land. Many of the shires of modern Britain preserve roughly the boundaries of these ancient 'kingdoms'. The Saxons moved into Devonshire between the years 658 and 722. They took over the land, of course, and established their own institutions of society and government.

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The name Swete is probably of Saxon origin, but there is some possibility of Scandinavian background, considering its various spellings and the centuries of Viking invasions. The Domesday Book lists a 'SUET' living in Devonshire in 1085 A.D. 'AELURIC SUETE' is named in a local record elsewhere in 1095. 'WIMOND SVOTE' is found in Bedfordshire, 1179-1194; 'ADAM SWET' in Worcestershire in 1211. There was a 'RICHARD SWOTE' in Bedfordshire in 1313, and a 'Wm. la SWETE' in Sussex in 1327. There are over a dozen entries under 'SWEET' in the Plymouth area telephone directory today (1973).

The conquest of England by an army from Normandy in 1066 was followed by another drastic reshaping of governmental and social institutions. Norman knights rode out across the land to seize property, build castles, and become the local rulers. They made vassals of the English landowners, and serfs of the common people. The vassals formed private armies for the lords while the serfs paid rent in services for the land they tilled and they were forbidden to leave the manor.

Modbury Manor, one of five in the parish of Modbury, was held by a Norman family named Valletort until 1269. Then the Oxtons acquired the place and held it for two generations. They were followed by the powerful Champenowne family who remained until about 1700. These families resided in the great house of the manor called the Court House. The houses of lesser landholders, including Traine of the Swetes, were located variously about the manor. Traine was a quarter of a mile from the Court House.

Over the centuries there were many changes in the structure of society in Devon and in all England. The Great Plague, first appearing in 1348 and then repeatedly for generations, brought waves of death across Britain and Europe. Modbury's population declined to about 400 persons. Many years later a rise in manufacturing and trade made living in cities attractive -- and expensive. Serfdom and feudalism disappeared gradually as the possession of money freed people from the need to remain on the soil to make a living. Old families declined in power and gave way to vigorous newcomers.

Around 1200 A.D. a prospering farmer built a house near Modbury and named it Traine. Sometime after 1450 Traine was enlarged and reconstructed into a typical Devonshire 'long house'. In a document of 1523 A.D. 'Swete' appears among a list of seven "gentlemen" of Modbury manor. These would be the men who owned important landed estates in the parish. John Swete acquired Traine by inheritance from a family name Scoos about 1540 or 1550. Traine was remodelled after the Civil Wars, perhaps in 1663, as the home of a well-to-do squire or knight.

Among the children of John Swete were sons Adrian and Robert. Robert became the father of another Adrian, and another John, the John Sweet who was born in 1579 and who came to Massachusetts in 1630. John Sweet married Mary Periam, daughter of John Periam and Mary Hone Periam, and had three children who came to America with them.

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John Sweet's brother, Adrian Swete who became the squire of Traine, had a son named John -- the Rev. John Swete -- who also inherited Traine, sometime after 1644. The Rev. John Swete prospered as a farmer on the Traine estate. He made large gifts to charity and it is likely that he was the owner who remodelled the house. Also, he apprenticed his son Adrian to a merchant, Mr. George Laphorn of Plymouth, and paid 130 pounds sterling for that opportunity. This marks the first significant departure of an elder son in the Swete line of descent from agriculture into commerce. This Adrian Swete later gave to the town of Modbury, in 1708, a water conduit to make available to the residents along Brownston Street running water for their homes. An inscribed slab of stone along the street still commemorates the gift, given by "Adrian Swete, knight of Traine". Other wealthy men gave similar gifts to other parts of Modbury.

This Adrian Swete also gave to the Victoria and Albert Museum in London, where it still can be seen, a massive and ingeniously constructed clock which had been made for him by his brother, Mayne Swete. Later, a Rev. John Tripe Swete, owner of Traine, and now an absentee landlord, built another Traine House on Brownston Street which still stands (and was being offered for sale in October, 1973).

The Court House of Modbury Manor is completely gone. Only faint traces remain to show where it once stood. During the Civil Wars two battles were fought on and near the manorial grounds, in November 1642 and in February 1643. The Court House was badly damaged and was never fully repaired. In 1705 it was sold for salvage value and was used as a quarry for building stones for other structures. The Champernowne family had long since abandoned it as a residence. By the end of the 18th century none of the great manorial families remained in their places in Modbury parish.

Traine had a better fate. Adrian Swete, older brother of John Sweet of Salem, was the squire of Traine during the Civil Wars. He was an old man and did not take sides in the struggle. His diary shows that he paid taxes, or made 'contributions', to whichever side had their forces in Modbury at a given time. Old Traine escaped serious damage. The property was eventually sold in the 19th century to John Andrews, a successful business man and former manager of the Swete estate. Old Traine became a farm house again and eventually fell into disrepair. It was restored in 1966-7 by the present owners, Mr. and Mrs. W.L.A. Rogers. It is now assured of preservation as a part of a nationally designated Preservation Area.

Modbury, so close to Plymouth, was not an isolated community. The great world was almost next door and there are some illustrious names associated with the area's history. In 1531 Katherine Champernowne married Otho Gilbert, a Devon man. Two of their three sons, Sir Humphrey Gilbert and Adrian Gilbert, won fame by their explorations along the northeastern coast of North America. The son of her second marriage was Sir Walter Raleigh, known in history for his American ventures and for his life at the court of

Queen Elizabeth I. Sir Francis Drake was a nearby Devon man whose exploits place him among England's greatest heroes. The royal government was pushing for the colonizing of America. Well might some people of Devon and other parts of England look on America as within their reach.

The Puritan movement was strong in Devonshire, as elsewhere in England. Rather than continue to endure the persecutions of Archbishop Laud and oppressions of King Charles I (1625-1649) many Puritans chose to transplant themselves across the great ocean to a land where they might find freedom for their ways of life and religion. In that New World, they trusted, as one of them wrote, that "the Lord would create a new heaven and a new earth", "new churches and a new commonwealth together".

John Sweet was fifty-one years old when he led his family to Massachusetts. Only a man and a family with courage, resolution, and strong religious faith could have uprooted themselves from the position in life and the surroundings they enjoyed at Modbury in Devonshire. Nor did they find an easy life in the wilderness of the new world after they arrived at Salem. In the same tradition, five generations later, their descendants braved the threats of savage Indian attacks and the rigors of frontier life to migrate to the new, rich lands of Illinois, there to prosper and to become a part of a greater America.

PART TWO: THE NEW ENGLAND GENERATIONS.

John 1 Sweet, who brought his family to America in 1630, was a son of Robert Swete and a grandson of the John Swete who had inherited the estate of Traine near Modbury in Devonshire, England. Mary Periam Sweet, the wife of John 1 was a daughter of John and Margaret Hone Periom. The three children of John 1 and Mary Sweet were John 2, James, and Meribah. All were born in England and came to America with their parents.

John's 1 name appears several times in the ANNALS OF SALEM (Mass.). His property gave its name to Sweet's Cove where a small stream empties into the Bay. Some of his land was taken by the town in 1635 as a site for the new meeting-house, a project of Roger Williams. The records show that John 1 had difficulty collecting as much compensation for his lost property as he thought he should have and was dissatisfied. The records tell us also that "June 6th, 1637, John Sweet is fined for killing a wolf dog of Gov. Endicott's in the yard of the latter", and that the fine was later remitted. That same year the Sweet family left Salem to follow Roger Williams to a new "land of the free", Rhode Island, or, that "home of the otherwise-minded" some Puritans called it. He died there about 1638. His widow remarried and lived until 1681. The children of John 1 and Mary moved to Rhode Island with them, where their daughter Meribah changed her name to Renewed. She married Jan Gereardy of New York.

John 2 Sweet and his brother James were among the original purchasers of the land of Warwick, R. I. John held public offices, was a taxpayer, and a free-

man, had a grist mill which was burned by the Indians in King Philip's War in 1675. He married Elizabeth Jeffrey. They had nine children, including Henry who was born in 1657 at Warwick. John 2 is referred to as "a law-abiding, respected and frequently honored member of the towns of Providence and Warwick, R. I.". He died in 1677.

Henry 3 Sweet was the fourth of ten children of John 2 and Elizabeth. He married Mary Griffin at Newport, R. I.; later they moved to East Greenwich, R. I., then to Attleboro, Mass. They had thirteen children, all born at East Greenwich. Their fourth child was Benjamin 4, born March 29, 1690. Henry 3 died at Attleboro, Mass., date unknown.

"Captain" Benjamin 4 Sweet married Susanna Spencer, probably at East Greenwich, R. I. In this community their twelve children were born. Francis 5 Sweet was their fifth child, born March 8, 1725 (or 1726). Another of their children was Theophilus, who lived at Pawling, N. Y., and whose son, Theophilus, Jr., came to Sangamon County, Ill. and had a family of nine children. The lives of this generation and the next were shaped by the American Revolutionary War against tea taxes, trade restrictions, and the arbitrary rule of King George III.

When the battles of Lexington and Concord were fought, the time for choosing had come. Francis 5 Sweet, son of Benjamin 4, and Susanna, was about fifty years old and not as eager for revolution as some. He seems to have taken the view that the "rights of Englishmen" could better be secured for the Colonists by negotiating with the king's government than by fighting it. There were others who felt as he did, such as John Dickinson, member of the Continental Congress, who debated long and earnestly against the Declaration of Independence before its adoption. Life could be hard for them. During the critical year of 1777, when the British planned a three-pronged invasion of New York State to cut the new American republic apart and end the rebellion, Francis 5, and numerous other citizens of the town of Hancock, Mass., were rounded up and imprisoned at Great Barrington. A few months later the tension throughout the area was relieved by the defeat and capture of Gen. Burgoyne and his entire army at Saratoga. Emotions subsided and old neighbors secured the release of Francis 5 and others from their prison cells. In another two or three years he was elected to a local office by those same fellow townsmen. In later life he moved northward with his family about one hundred miles to Cambridge, N. Y., where he probably spent his final years.

Jonathan 6 Sweet was the sixth child of ten born to Francis 5 and Sarah; The year of his birth was 1761. In 1782 he and Temperance Holdredge were married. In 1789, with their first-born child, Peleg 7, they moved from Hancock, Mass. to Cambridge, N. Y. In 1794 they moved to Burlington, N. Y. in Otsego County, about seventy-five miles west of Albany. Of their eleven children, all but four were born at Burlington. Jonathan 6 became the ordained pastor of the Second Baptist Church there, and later was a renowned preacher of that faith in Morgan County, Ill. The central and western areas of New York were hotbeds of the abolitionist movement for seeing the

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negro slaves. At a time when Abolitionists were in danger of being lynched in the streets, Jonathan G was on record as being a participant in that crusade. Jonathan G and Temperance left Otsego County in 1822 to journey by wagon and riverboat to join four of their children in Illinois. He died at Diamond Grove in 1837; Temperance died there in 1842. *Jonathan and his brothers and sisters were the sixth generation of Sweets to live in America.*

Part Three----To Illinois.

In the pioneering tradition of America, the next frontier was always calling. Settlers were pouring into Ohio and Kentucky by the thousands each year. They came by boat, by wagon, on foot and on horseback. The Indian tribes were overwhelmed by the flood but only at great cost to both sides. In New York the Iroquois Confederation had been smashed by the forces of the Revolutionary War. In Ohio the Shawnees, the Wyandots, the Kickapoos, the Miamis, the Plankeshaws, and other tribes put thousands of warriors into a deadly guerrilla conflict of unparalleled savagery. The white man fought the same kind of war, with the same courage and ferocity. Men, women, and children were slaughtered, homes and villages burned, braves and settlers alike were ambushed, boats and canoes were attacked on the broad rivers, only life in fortified places was reasonably safe. "It is estimated that from the French War of 1754 to the battle of the Maumee Rapids ('Fallen Timbers') in 1794. . .there had been at least 5,000 people killed or captured west of the Allegheny Mountains. Eleven organized military expeditions had been carried on against the Western Indians prior to the War of 1812, seven regular engagements fought, about 1,200 men killed".

After the Battle of Fallen Timbers in 1795, Gen Anthony Wayne compelled the Indian chiefs to cede their remaining Ohio lands to the United States and the wars were officially ended. However, Indians and whites continued to kill each other in small encounters in the Northwest Territory for another twenty to thirty years. In 1812, when Peleg Z Sweet made a trip to Ohio to look over the land, Indians were being paid and equipped by a British general at Detroit to raid the western settlements. After a few months west of the mountains, Peleg Z returned to Otsego County in New York to bring his wife, Abigail Bardeen Sweet, and their infant daughter, Lamira, to a frontier home in Ohio. Not surprisingly "he met with great opposition" from members of his family, but the move was made.

For six years the family lived in the Buckeye State, until songs and stories of broad, fertile prairies further west stirred Peleg to move again. The family and its possessions were loaded onto a home-made boat. Three months later they reached Shawneetown, there they settled temporarily, "as the northern part of Illinois was under the control of Indians and unsafe for white men".

One of the songs of the time was called "El-A-NOY".

"Way down upon the Wabash,
Such a land was never known;
If Adam had passed over it,
The soil he'd surely own;
He'd think it was the garden
He'd played in when a boy.

Refrain:

Then move your family westward,
Good health you will enjoy,
And rise to wealth and honor
In the State of El-A-NOY.

"T was there the Queen of Sheba came,
With Solomon of old,
With an Ass load of spices,
Pomegranates and fine gold;
And when she saw this lovely land,
Her heart was filled with joy,
Straightway she said: "I'd like to be
A Queen in El-a-noy".

(Refrain)

She's bounded by the Wabash,
The Ohio and the Lakes,
She's crawfish in the swampy lands,
The milk-sick and the shakes;
But these are slight diversions
And take not from the joy
Of living off this garden land,
The State of El-a-noy.

(Refrain)

Away up in the northward,
Right on the border line,
A great commercial city,
Chicago, you will find.
Her men are all like Abeland,
Her women like Heloise;
All honest virtuous people,
For they live in El-a-noy.

(last refrain)

Then move your family westward;
Bring all your girls and boys,
And cross at Shawnee Ferry
To the State of El-a-noy.

To the Ship of El - a new
gold mine is found in the
gold of your gold and gold
that men have found in the
gold mine.

(Chorus)

Let the gold of El - a new
gold mine be found in the
gold of your gold and gold
that men have found in the
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(Chorus)

The gold of El - a new
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gold of your gold and gold
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Life for the Peleg Z Sweet family on the prairies was lived on the barest subsistence level.

"Here they endured the privations of frontier life, living on hominy and deer meat for months; their shelter a log hut, floorless and doorless. They were surrounded by wild beasts and their nearest neighbor was six miles away. The few citizens made their own laws and were sometimes obliged to tie up and whip the offenders".

By 1821 four of the nine children of Jonathan G and Temperance Holdredge Sweet had moved to Illinois. Late that year Peleg Z returned to Otsego County, N. Y. to assist his parents in making the long journey to Shawneetown.

"Their journey commenced in February, 1822, and they travelled about two hundred miles by wagon to Olean Point in New York, the head of navigation on the Allegheny [River], which flowed into the Ohio River. [After the building of a family boat] they partly rowed and partly floated with the current to Shawneetown, Illinois. Jonathan G remained in the neighborhood for about a year, preaching almost every Sunday in log houses at various places....

"In 1823 he went by wagon across the prairies to Diamond Grove in Morgan County, Illinois, about five miles southeast of where Jacksonville was built afterwards."

Jonathan G was elected pastor of the Diamond Grove Society of Baptists soon after he arrived in that area. The year was 1823. In 1825 he was chosen first Public Administrator of Morgan County. He was a leading citizen of Morgan County and his tombstone in the churchyard is inscribed:

"He was a faithful pioneer Minister of Christ".

His death occurred on Dec. 20, 1837; Temperance died in November, 1842.

The children of Jonathan G and Temperance Sweet were: Peleg Z; Joseph; (Job?); Robert; Joel; Anna; Joanna; Alva; Sarah; Lois; and Francis

Peleg Z and his brothers, Robert and Joel, either accompanied their parents to Diamond Grove or soon followed them to that locale. Another brother, Joseph, moved to nearby Loami in Sangamon County in 1830 and to Scyene, Texas in 1852.

Peleg Z, Robert, and Jonathan G in 1823 signed the constitution of the Morganian Society, an anti-slavery association which is believed to have been founded in that year. This was not a popular position to take at that time. Elijah Lovejoy, a newspaper editor, was lynched by a mob in Alton, Ill. in 1837, for his vigorous efforts to end slavery in the United States.

In 1843 Peleg Z acquired a large tract of land near Washburn in Woodford County. Three years later he moved to that place. Soon "he called all his children to him and settled them around him". Peleg died in 1850; Abigail in

1860. The children of Peleg Z and Abigail were:

Lamira Ann Caroline, b. Jan. 10, 1810; d. May 8, 1899. On March 29, 1832, m. Stephen Howard, b. Dec. 18, 1802; d. July 4, 1884.
 Mary, b. Feb. 9, 1813; d. Oct. 19, 1881. On Apr. 5, 1838 m. Isaac W. Carson, b. Apr. 29, 1816; d. Aug. 21, 1896.
 Temperance, b. Feb. 21, 1815; d. March 24, 1875. On May 8, 1834 m. Tilton Howard (brother of Stephen Howard), b. March 3, 1814; d. March 24, 1878.
 Elizabeth, b. Sept. 18, 1817; d. . On Oct. 18, 1838 m. Alanson Howard (bro. of Stephen and Tilton), b. Feb. 17, 1810; d. Oct. 9, 1880.
 Isaac Newton, b. Feb. 2, 1821; d. May 14, 1900. On March 9, 1864 m. Louisa Abbott, b. June 3, 1836; d. March 4, 1922.
 Catherine, b. Apr. 25, 1823; d. , 1916. On Jan 26, 1846 m. Ebenezer Dunham, b. Oct. 13, 1814; d. Jan. 5, 1891.
 Anna E., b. April 16, 1825; d. July 5, 1915. On Apr. 6, 1843 m. John Scrogin, b. Nov. 24, 1819; d. Aug. , 1852.
 Abigail Cook, b. March 2, 1826; d. . On Dec. 28, 1843 m. John W. Taylor, b. Oct. 24, 1824; d. Feb. 19, 1866.
 Malinda, b. May 2, 1828; d. . On Feb. 1, 1843 m. Philip Jenkins, b. Dec. 6, 1821; d. . (His grandfather, Sylvester Howard, was the father of Stephen, Tilton, and Alanson.)
 Eliakim 8 Abiud, b. Apr. 18, 1830; d. Mar. 4, 1896. On Oct. 7, 1852 m. Mary Jane Spawr, b. Nov. 11, 1833; d. Nov. 28, 1914.
 Solon Alva, b. Jan 26, 1833; d. June 18, 1895. On March 9, 1856 m. Elizabeth Gill Toy, b. Jan. 24, 1839. d.
 Enoch Jonathan, b. July 12, 1836; d. Dec. 3, 1882. On Apr. 2, 1860 m. Emily Hunter Toy, b. Aug. 14, 1840; d. June 30, 1932.
 The marriages of the Howard brothers, Stephen, Tilton, and Alanson, to Peleg's daughters, Lamira Ann, Temperance, and Elizabeth, are not all of the connection between the two families. It began with the marriage on Dec. 13, 1793 of Sylvester Howard, son of Zephaniah and Valerie Wooley Howard, to Lydia Sweet, granddaughter of Benjamin Sweet and niece of Francis S Sweet. (Lydia's brother, Theophilus, Jr., as mentioned above, lived in Sangamon County, Ill.)
 Eliakim Howard, another son of Sylvester and Lydia, married Sarah Sweet, Jan. 2, 1825. She was a younger sister of Peleg. A generation later than these marriages, Gilbert Howard, son of Alanson and Elizabeth Sweet Howard, married a sister of George M. Hayes, husband of Lola Sweet. The foregoing is probably not a complete account of the connections between the Sweet and Howard families.

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John Sweet. The foregoing paragraph has a description of the late Sweet family, forming a part of George M. Howard's history of the town from their emigration. Gilbert Howard, son of William and Elizabeth, Jan. 2, 1822. She was a younger sister of John. A generation earlier Howard, another son of Sylvester and Fudge, married Sarah as mentioned above, lived in Scarborough (Maine, 1811).

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John W. Sweet, b. Jan. 28, 1823; q. June 18, 1828. On March 8, 1826 m. Mary Jane Sweet, b. Nov. 11, 1833; q. Nov. 28, 1844.

Eliza m. B. Vining, b. Apr. 18, 1830; q. Mar. 4, 1828. On Oct. 5, 1825 b. Dec. 8, 1821; q. (The Grandfather, Sylvester Howard, was the father of Stephen, Titon, and William.)

Malinda, b. May 5, 1838; q. On Feb. 1, 1842 m. Philip Jackson, John W. Taylor, b. Oct. 24, 1834; q. Feb. 18, 1866.

Abigail Cook, b. March 5, 1838; q. On Dec. 28, 1843 m. John S. Sargent, b. Nov. 24, 1819; q. Aug. 1825.

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James and Caroline, b. Jan. 10, 1810; q. May 8, 1863. On March 28,

Eliakim 8 Abiud Sweet and Mary Jane Spawr were married October 7, 1852. She was the daughter of Jacob and Eliza Ann Spawr of Lexington, Ill. Jacob was born in Westmoreland County, Pa. on Jan. 24, 1802, the son of Valentine and Anna Margaret Spawr. Valentine was born Sept. 17, 1769 in Westmoreland County and died near Selma, Ill. Feb. 5, 1855. He married Anna Margaret Richer. Both are buried in the Indian Field Cemetery in McLean County, Ill. He is listed in the 1850 Census as a carpenter, a trade which Jacob also learned. Valentine was a veteran of the War of 1812. Also, he was wounded while fighting the Indians at the Battle of Fallen Timbers.

Jacob Spawr came to Illinois in 1826, probably with his parents and some other members of the family. He "came overland to Illinois driving sheep and cattle which they brought with them". On Dec. 3, 1826 he and Eliza Ann Trimmer were married. Farming became his occupation soon after their marriage, although he was also known for the crafts which he skilfully shaped from the native walnut wood. Later he established an inn or tavern at Lexington which was a stopping place for travellers, some of them famous persons, including a Springfield lawyer who signed his name "A. Lincoln".

"Jacob and Eliza had eight children, 27 grand-children, and 30 great-grand-children". Children of Jacob and Eliza were: Margaret (Blake) (Fitzgerald); Elizabeth (Champlin); Mary Jane (Sweet); Sarah (Franklin); Emily (Shade); Louise (Preble); and a daughter and a son, who died in infancy and at age ten, respectively. Jacob was a member of the Methodist Church for about 80 years. Eliza died on Oct. 27, 1876. Jacob died on Aug. 20, 1902 at the age of 100 years, 6 months, and 27 days.

Eliakim 8 Abiud Sweet was born at Jacksonvillle, Ill. on April 18, 1830 and died at Chenoa on March 14, 1896. He and Mary Jane had two children, Eva J. and Oscar A.

The following newspaper account was published at the death of Eliakim Abiud Sweet.

"E. A. Sweet died at his home near Ocoya March 14, 1896. He was born at Jacksonvillle, Ill. April 18, 1830. He was converted when twenty-one years of age and united with the church at Washburn where on account of his great zeal and usefulness he was made a deacon, to which office he has ever been faithful. He was one of a large family, having eleven brothers and sisters, all of whom, including the parents, were active and energetic Christian workers. When 20 years of age he was united in marriage with Mary Jane Spawr who has been a true wife in every sense of that term. In the spring of 1865 he moved near Ocoya where his life work has been accomplished.

There it was 31 years ago in April he organized the Ocoya Sunday School and for thirteen years was its superintendent. With his wife and one other he united with the Baptist Church there by letter when there

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 school and for thirteen years was its superintendent. Work for wife and
 sons has been accomplished.

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 was spent with Mary Jane Sweet, who has been a true wife in every sense
 of the word. Christian workers. When 30 years of age he was united in
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 faithful and united with the church at Washington where on account
 of his great zeal and usefulness he was made a deacon, to which office
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 Sweet, Eva J. and Clara A.

Elizabeth A. Abund Sweet was born at Jacksonville, Ill. on April 18, 1830
 and died at Chicago on March 14, 1898. He and Mary Jane had two chil-
 dren, Eva J. and Clara A.
 died on April 30, 1893 at the age of 100 years, 6 months, and 33 days.
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 family (Isaiah). George (Frederick) and a daughter and a son, who died in
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 Grandchildren. Children of Jacob and Eliza were: Margaret, (Bridget)
 "Jacob and Eliza had eight children, 33 grand-children, and 30 great
 who signed his name "A. Lincoln."

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 Elizabeth A. Abund Sweet and Mary Jane Sweet were married October 3,

were only two, Father Myer and his wife, to receive them. In that church he has labored amidst many discouragements, but lived to see it grow until the little band numbered one hundred and twenty seven. He was very active in Sunday schoolwork, assisting in organizing over twenty years ago the first County Sunday School Association of which he has been several times president and for many years its missionary.

Deacon Sweet's last days were among his best. His path grew brighter as he grew older and end was peaceful. The funeral services were conducted at the residence by Rev. Murray, the pastor, assisted by Rev. Brown of Chenoa, Rev. Reed of Pontiac, and Rev. Hughes of Lexington. A large concourse of mourning friends followed the remains to the Chenoa Cemetery".

Descendants of ELIAKIM ABIUD and MARY JANE SWEET

1. OSCAR A. SWEET, b.at Washburn, Ill., Aug. 4, 1853; d. 1932 d. at North Manchester, Ind; buried at Chenoa Cem.
 - m. Oct. 3, 1877, Sarah ("Sadie") McCulloch, b. Dec. 9, 1854, at Latrobe, Pa; d. Sept. 11, 1884; buried at Chenoa Cemetery.
 - m. Feb. 17. 1895. Louise Catherine Stillwell, b. Jan. 11, 1861 at Lostant, Ill. d. 1933, at North Manchester, Ind; buried at Chenoa Cemetery.
- Children of Oscar A. and Sarah McCulloch Sweet:
 1. Lola Gertrude Sweet, b. at Eppards Point Twp., Chenoa, Ill., Oct. 17, 1882; d. at North Manchester, Ind., Feb. 13, 1957. buried at North Manchester, Ind.
 - m. Feb. 17, 1903, George McPherson Hayes, b. Sept. 5, 1875 at Chenoa, Ill; d. May 27, 1949; buried at North Manchester, Ind.
- Children of George M. Hayes and Lola Sweet Hayes:
 1. Gordon Sweet Hayes, b. Dec. 5, 1903; - (Divorced.)
 - m. Pauline Fanning, b. (Aug. 27, 1949, Dorothy Tomson; no children.
 - m. Aug. 27, 1949, Dorothy Tomson; no children.
- Children of Gordon S. and Pauline Fanning Hayes:
 1. Gordon Hayes, Jr., b. July 28, 1931;
 - m. July 3, 1953, Colleen Miller, b. Dec. 12, 1932
- Children of Gordon, Jr. and Colleen Hayes:
 1. Marcia Ruth, b. Dec. 26, 1955.
 2. Jodena Sue, b. Apr. 24, 1958.
 3. James Gordon, b. Jan. 12, 1962.
2. Michael Roy Hayes, b. Aug. 10, 1936;
 - m. Julia Pottenger, b. Aug. 20, 1936.
- (Married Apr. 23, 1960.)

Children of Michael R. and Julia Pottenger Hayes:

1. David Scott, b. May 6, 1963.
2. Joseph Michael, b. Nov. 28, 1966.

2. Raymond Elton Hayes, b. Dec. 17, 1905; Teacher; educational publishing

m. Aug. 24, 1928, Ruth Elizabeth Carruthers, b. May 25, 1907 at Rochester, Ind.

Children of Raymond E. and Ruth Carruthers Hayes;

1. Elizabeth Jane Hayes, b. June 1, 1929; m. March 22, 1952, John Hugh Koopman, b. Feb. 4, 1932

Children of John H. and E. Jane Hayes Koopman:

1. Ann Elizabeth, b. Sept. 21, 1955.
2. William Walton, b. March 2, 1957.
3. James Edward, b. June 22, 1958.

2. William Alonzo Hayes, b. Oct. 3, 1932, bandmaster

m. June 12, 1960, Doris Ann Clabaugh, b. Oct. 10, 1934, teacher.
(No children.)

3.—8. Frances Jane Hayes, b. Oct. 12, 1908, Constantine, Mich.

(Asst't. Chief, Personnel and Training, Employment Security Commission of State of New Mexico.)

m. Apr. 5, 1941, Daniel William Meloy, at Hattiesburg, Mississippi, b. . (No children.)

4.—4. Dorothy Marie Hayes, b. Apr. 16, 1912, at Hamlet, Ind. Teacher and Housewife.

m. Nov. 14, 1942, Chester Cleon Hill, b. Nov. 15, 1910. (Trained military pilots, World War 11; Home builder).

Children of Chester C. and Dorothy Hayes Hill:

1. John Chester, b. Mar. 21, 1949. (Aviation; graduate of Purdue University.)
2. Robert Cleon, b. June 14, 1950. (Aviation; graduate of Purdue University.)

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5. George McPherson Hayes, Jr., b. Mar. 8, 1914, Hamlet Ind. d. Oct. 15, 1950 (of polio); buried, North Manchester, Ind. (Buick dealer; trained military pilots, World War 11.)

m. Feb. 14, 1942, Marjorie Louise Lehman, b. Apr. 26 1922.

Children of George M., Jr. and Marjorie Lehman Hayes:

1. John Craig, b. Dec. 7, 1943 at Lakeland Fla. m. July , 1972, Juanita (divorced)
2. George McPherson, III, b. Nov. 10, 1946 at Lake-

2 George Matheson, III, p. 100, 10, 1945 at 1, 1945.
 at July, 1935, (unpublished).
 3 John Galt, p. Dec. 5, 1943 at 1, 1943 at 1, 1943.

Children of George M., Jr. and Marjorie (Harris) Hays:
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 in Feb. 14, 1943, Marjorie Louise (Harris) Hays, p. 4, 1943
 World War II.

children, but (much) older, raised military pilot,
 in, 11 Oct. 18, 1930 (at 1930), dated, 1930, 1930.

2—George Matheson Hays, Jr. p. 10, 1945, 1945, 1945.
 more of (unpublished).

3 Robert Galt, p. June 14, 1930, (unpublished), dated
 date of (unpublished).

1 John Galt, p. 10, 1945, (unpublished), dated
 Children of George C. and Dorothy Hays Hill.

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 in Nov. 14, 1945, George Galt Hill, p. 10, 1945, 1945,
 Teacher and Housewife.

4—Dorothy Marie Hays, p. 4, 1945, 1945, 1945, 1945, 1945,
 Mississippi, p. (no children).

in Apr. 8, 1941, David William Hays, at Hattiesburg,
 with Commission of State of New Mexico;
 (Asst. Chief, Personnel and Training, Employment Sec.
 Mich).

3—George Hays, p. Oct. 15, 1930, (unpublished),
 (no children).

1930, teacher.
 in June 15, 1930, David Ann Galt, p. Oct. 10,
 3 William Alfred Hays, p. Oct. 3, 1935, (unpublished).

2 James Edward, p. June 25, 1935,
 3 William Walton, p. March 5, 1935,
 1 Ann Elizabeth, p. 20, 1935, 1935.

Children of John H. and E. Hays (Kochman):
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in March 25, 1935, John Hugh Kochman, p. Feb. 4,
 1 Elizabeth Jane Hays, p. June 1, 1935,
 Children of Raymond E. and Ruth Catherine Hays:

in Aug. 24, 1930, Ruth Elizabeth Galt,
 Teacher, educational publishing.

3 Raymond Elton Hays, p. Dec. 15, 1935,
 2 Joseph Michael, p. Nov. 20, 1935,
 1 David Scott, p. May 6, 1935,
 Children of Michael H. and Julia Katherine Hays:

- land, Fla.
 3. Stanley Carlton, b. June 16, 1949, at Lakeland, Fla.
 m.

Children of Oscar A. and Louise Stillwell Sweet:

1. Edward Abiud, b. March 5, 1897, at Chenoa, Ill.; d. March 10, 1897. Buried, Chenoa Cemetery.
2. Clara Louise, b. June 24, 1898, at Chenoa, Ill.; d. Jan. 17, 1972 (Unmarried.) Buried at Chenoa Cemetery.
3. George Osgood, b. Nov. 1, 1900, at Chenoa, Ill.; d. 1960, at Detroit, Mich.

m. May , 1921, Georgia Jay Sigler, at Racine, Wis. (Divorced).

Children of George O. and Georgia Sigler Sweet:

1. Edgar Allen, b. May 3, 1922, at Racine, Wis.
 (Married; five children; names unavailable.)

- II. EVA J. SWEET, b. Sept. 21, 1855 at Chenoa, Ill.; d. May 1, 1907;
 Buried at Payne Cemetery, Chenoa, Ill. m. Warren W. Osborn,
 b. Aug. 5, 1853; d. March 23, 1932; Buried at Payne Cemetery.

Children of Warren W. and Eva Sweet Osborn:

Lena Ethel; Nellie Maude; Jennie E; Mary; Eunice Fleeta;
 Murray E; Dora Irene.

1. LENA ETHEL OSBORN, b. Dec. 26, 1881. m. Dec. 6, 1900, J. Elmer Reed, b. Oct. 2, 1876; d. Aug. 21, 1929.

Buried at Pontiac, Ill.

Children of Elmer and Lena Osborn Reed:

1. Ada Lauretta, b. Sept. 12, 1901.
 m. May 1, 1924, Leslie Melvin Brock, b. Aug. 11, 1895; d. Nov. 19, 1967. Buried at Pontiac, Ill.

Children of Leslie M. and Ada Reed Brock:

1. Jeanette Lorraine Brock, b. Feb. 16, 1926.
 m. Sept. 14, 1947, David E. Benedict,
 b. Oct. 18, 1925.

Children of David E. and Jeanette Brock Benedict.

1. Brock Allen Benedict, b. Dec. 21, 1948.
 m. Feb. 16, 1968, Pamela Gayle Yergler,
 b. July 4, 1949.

Children of Brock and Pamela Benedict:

1. Allyson Nichole, b. Sept. 12, 1968.
2. Jeffery Brock, b. July 7, 1970;

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3. William Brock, b. July 3, 1931

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1. Albert Michael, b. June 15, 1948

Children of Brock and Pamela Remondet,
b. July 4, 1949

in Feb. 18, 1948, Pamela Gayle Taylor

1. Brock Allen Remondet, b. Dec. 31, 1945

Children of David E. and Jennifer Brock Remondet,
b. Oct. 18, 1952

in Sept. 14, 1943, David E. Remondet,

1. Jennifer Patricia Brock, b. Feb. 18, 1958

Children of Leslie M. and Ada Reed Brock,
1895, d. Nov. 19, 1963, buried at Pontiac, Ill.

in May 1, 1934, Leslie Melvin Brock, b. Aug. 11,

1. Ada Louise, b. Sept. 13, 1901

Children of Ethel and Louis Gibson Reed;
buried at Pontiac, Ill.

1900, 1. Ethel Reed, b. Oct. 3, 1876; d. Aug. 31, 1952

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1. LENA ETHEL OSBORN, b. Dec. 26, 1881; in Dec. 8,

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Marion E. Doss here.

1. Lena Ethel, Nellie Maude, Jennie E. Mary; Eunice F. Lena

Children of Warren W. and Eva Zenas Osborn;

b. Aug. 6, 1863; d. March 23, 1935; buried at Payne Cemetery.

buried at Payne Cemetery, Chicago, Ill. in Warren W. Osborn,

if Eva J. Sweet, b. Sept. 21, 1866; in Chicago, Ill. d. May 7, 1903;

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buried at Payne Cemetery, Chicago, Ill. in

.....
1. Edgar Albert, b. May 3, 1925; in Chicago, Ill.

Children of George O. and George Alfred Sweet,
in May 1, 1921, George Jay Spivey, of Payne Woe (divorced),
Detroit, Mich.

1. George Alfred, b. May 1, 1900; in Chicago, Ill. d. 1960; in

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1. George Alfred, b. June 24, 1908; in Chicago, Ill. d. Jan. 13, 1935

1895, buried at Payne Cemetery.

1. Edward Albert, b. March 6, 1893; in Chicago, Ill. d. March 10,

Children of Oscar A. and Louise Griffler Sweet,
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1. Stanley Carlton, b. June 16, 1949; in Cleveland, Ohio

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2. NELLIE MAUDE OSBORN, b. July 10, 1884; d. Oct. 12, 1968. Buried at Pontiac, Ill.

m. Nov. 27, 1902, Harry Melvin Reed, b. June 21, 1881; d. May 13, 1956. Buried at Pontiac, Ill.

Children of Harry M. and Nellie Maude Osborn Reed:

1. Russell Ellsworth Reed, b. Feb. 26, 1910.

m. Mar. 6, 1932, Frieda Marie Leetch, b. Sept. 22, 1909

Children of Russell E. and Frieda Leetch Reed:

1. Homer Melvin Reed, b. Feb. 26, 1934.

m. Jan 10, 1954, Janet Clarice McCoy (Divorced)

Children of Homer M. and Janet McCoy Reed:

1. Timothy Melvin Reed, b. Dec. 17, 1955.

2. Jeanna Laurie Reed, b. July 19, 1958.

3. Rory Elwin Reed, b. Dec. 14, 1962.

4. Rita Alice Reed, b. Sept. 28, 1964.

2. Anita Marie Reed, b. Oct. 15, 1946.

m. June 6, 1970, Dale Edward Swanberg, b.

Children of Dale and Anita Swanberg:

1. Brian Dale Swanberg, b. March 31, 1970.

3. Roger Allen Reed, b. Sept. 9, 1949.

(Was in military service.)

3. JENNIE E. OSBORN, b. Jan 6, 1887.

m. Dec. 24, 1907, HARRY J. GREENE, b. May 3, 1884;

d. July 23, 1944. Buried at Peoria, Ill.

Children of Harry J. and Jennie Osborn Greene:

1. John Warren Greene, b. Jan 3, 1909.

(Was in service, Air Transport Command. W. W. 11)

m. Mary Ellen Blaine, in Pekin, Ill.

(Divorced, 1937)

Children of John W. and Mary Blaine Greene:

1. John Warren Greene, b. May 5, 1928.

(Was in U. S. Marine Corps.)

m. Elisa Villis, in the Philippines.

Children of John W. Greene, Jr. and Elisa Greene.

1. Michael F. Greene, b. Sept. 26, 1963.

2. Anthony Greene, b. Aug. 12, 1964.

3. William Greene, b. April 12, 1864

1. Michael E. Greene, b. April 28, 1863

Children of John W. Greene, b. and Mary Greene
m. Eliza A. Greene, in the Providence

m. John W. Greene, b. May 2, 1838
(Died in 1872, in the Providence)

Children of John W. and Mary Greene
(Died in 1872)

m. Mary Ellen Greene, in 1860, in

1. John W. Greene, b. Jan 3, 1860
(Died in 1860, in the Providence)

Children of Mary J. and John W. Greene
b. July 23, 1864, in the Providence

m. Dec 24, 1867, HANNAH J. GREENE, b. May 3, 1864

3. JENNIE E. GREENE, b. Jan 6, 1865

1. Roger Allen Reed, b. 2000, 1860
(Died in 1860, in the Providence)

Children of David and Anna Reed:
b. m. June 5, 1830, David Edward Reed, b.

3. Anna Maria Reed, b. Oct. 12, 1840

1. John Allen Reed, b. 2000, 1860

3. Henry Ellen Reed, b. Dec. 14, 1865

1. Timothy Martin Reed, b. July 10, 1868

Children of Henry M. and Mary M. Reed (Died in 1868)

1. Henry Martin Reed, b. Feb. 28, 1834

(Died in 1868)

m. Mrs. R. 1835, Emma Martin Reed, b. 2000, 1865

Children of Henry M. and Mary M. Reed (Died in 1868)

m. May 13, 1868, buried in Providence, RI

m. Nov. 25, 1865, Henry Martin Reed, b. June 21, 1861

1868, buried in Providence, RI

3. MARY ELIZABETH GREENE, b. July 10, 1864, in Oct. 15,

1. John Warren Greene, Sr. m. Dec. 14, 1940, Mable C. Sick, b. Nov. 6, 1907.

Children of John Warren Greene, Sr. and Mabel Greene:
1. Robert J. Greene, b. Feb. 1, 1942, Peoria, Ill.
(Now with U. S. Marine Corps; decorated,
Bronze Star, and others.)

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m.

Children of Robert J. Greene and

1. Karen Elizabeth, b. Jan. 5, 1966, Honolulu.
2. Kristie Jane, b. Jan 13, 1967, Honolulu.
3. Susan Hope, b. June ' , Quantico, Va.
2. Linda Sue Greene, b. July 12, 1948, Peoria
- m. Richard Custer, b. Jan. 1967, Forrest, Ill.

(Divorced.)

Children of Richard C. and Linda Sue Custer:

1. Wendy Ann, b. Nov. 20, 1967, Fairbury, Ill.
2. Amy Jo, b. June 23, 1970, Normal, Ill.

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4. MARY OSBORN, b. Nov. 6, 1889.

m. Aug. 2, 1910, Claude A. Christie at Bloomington, Ill.

Children of Claude and Mary Osborn Christie:
Raymond; Evelyn; Imogene; Myron; Ralph Dale; Sue;
Marilyn.

5. EUNICE FLEETA OSBORN, July 27, 1892.

m. May 22, 1912, Charles A. Cutter, b. June 1,
1882, Aurora, Ind. d. Feb. 22, 1953;
buried, Pontiac, Ill.

Children of Charles A. and Eunice Osborn Cutter:

1. Iola Louise Cutter, b. June 13, 1918.
- m. Robert William Bootz, b. Apr. 1, 1915.

(No children.)

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6. MURRAY ELLSWORTH OSBORN, b. Aug. 4, 1895.

m. May 22, 1914, Oma Wagner, b. Sept. 16, 1893;
d. Feb. 20, 1962; buried at Chenoa, Ill.

Children of Murray Osborn and Oma Wagner Osborn:

1. Cecil Ellsworth Osborn, b. Nov. 28, 1914.
- m. Dec. 10, 1939, Jessie Janet Pifer, b. May 12, 1917.

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2. Alice Jane Osborn, b. Oct. 28, 1961.
2. Warren Wagner Osborn, b. Feb. 19, 1917.

m. , Mary Belle Lawrence, b. Apr. 19, 1919;

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- m. July 16, 1966, Ronald Ballard, b.

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1925-1925

1. John Warren Greene, Sr. m. Dec. 14, 1940, Mable C. Sick, b. Nov. 6, 1907.

Children of John Warren Greene, Sr. and Mabel Greene:

1. Robert J. Greene, b. Feb. 1, 1942, Peoria, Ill.
(Now with U. S. Marine Corps; decorated, Bronze Star, and others.)

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m.

Children of Robert J. Greene and

1. Karen Elizabeth, b. Jan. 5, 1966, Honolulu.
2. Kristie Jane, b. Jan 13, 1967, Honolulu.
3. Susan Hope, b. June , Quantico, Va.
2. Linda Sue Greene, b. July 12, 1948, Peoria
- m. Richard Custer, b. Jan. 1967, Forrest, Ill.

(Divorced.)

Children of Richard C. and Linda Sue Custer:

1. Wendy Ann, b. Nov. 20, 1967, Fairbury, Ill.
2. Amy Jo, b. June 23, 1970, Normal, Ill.

4. MARY OSBORN, b. Nov. 6, 1889.

m. Aug. 2, 1910, Claude A. Christie at Bloomington, Ill.

Children of Claude and Mary Osborn Christie:

Raymond; Evelyn; Imogene; Myron; Ralph Dale; Sue; Marilyn.

5. EUNICE FLEETA OSBORN, July 27, 1892.

m. May 22, 1912, Charles A. Cutter, b. June 1, 1882, Aurora, Ind. d. Feb. 22, 1953; buried, Pontiac, Ill.

Children of Charles A. and Eunice Osborn Cutter:

1. Lola Louise Cutter, b. June 13, 1918.
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- m. July 16, 1966, Ronald Ballard, b.

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on July 10, 1880, Homestead, p. 1

1. John Gibson, p. 1, Jan. 28, 1881

Children of William B. and Mary Frances Gibson:
a. Mary Frances Gibson, p. 1, Apr. 10, 1813

2. William Gibson, p. 1, Feb. 10, 1813

3. John Gibson, p. 1, Oct. 20, 1813

4. William Gibson, p. 1, Jan. 28, 1814

Children of John F. and Mary Frances Gibson:
a. John F. Gibson, p. 1, Jan. 15, 1815

2. William Gibson, p. 1, Feb. 10, 1815

Children of William Gibson and John Gibson:
a. John Gibson, p. 1, Jan. 28, 1816

2. William Gibson, p. 1, Feb. 10, 1816

3. John Gibson, p. 1, Jan. 28, 1817

4. William Gibson, p. 1, Feb. 10, 1817

Children of William Gibson and John Gibson:
a. John Gibson, p. 1, Jan. 28, 1818

2. William Gibson, p. 1, Feb. 10, 1818

Children of William Gibson and John Gibson:
a. John Gibson, p. 1, Jan. 28, 1819

2. William Gibson, p. 1, Feb. 10, 1819

3. John Gibson, p. 1, Jan. 28, 1820

4. William Gibson, p. 1, Feb. 10, 1820

Children of William Gibson and John Gibson:
a. John Gibson, p. 1, Jan. 28, 1821

2. William Gibson, p. 1, Feb. 10, 1821

3. John Gibson, p. 1, Jan. 28, 1822

4. William Gibson, p. 1, Feb. 10, 1822

Children of William Gibson and John Gibson:
a. John Gibson, p. 1, Jan. 28, 1823

2. William Gibson, p. 1, Feb. 10, 1823

Children of William Gibson and John Gibson:
a. John Gibson, p. 1, Jan. 28, 1824

2. William Gibson, p. 1, Feb. 10, 1824

Children of William Gibson and John Gibson:
a. John Gibson, p. 1, Jan. 28, 1825

2. William Gibson, p. 1, Feb. 10, 1825

Children of William Gibson and John Gibson:
a. John Gibson, p. 1, Jan. 28, 1826

2. William Gibson, p. 1, Feb. 10, 1826

Children of William Gibson and John Gibson:
a. John Gibson, p. 1, Jan. 28, 1827

2. William Gibson, p. 1, Feb. 10, 1827

Children of William Gibson and John Gibson:
a. John Gibson, p. 1, Jan. 28, 1828

1828-1833

Children of Ronald and Jane Osborn Ballard:

1. Paul William Ballard, b. Sept. 15, 1967.
2. David Andrew Ballard, b. Feb. 14, 1973.
2. Margaret Susan Osborn, b. Feb. 2, 1949.

m. April 4, 1970, James Martz, b. Sept. 10, 1947.

Children of James and Margaret Osborn Martz:

1. Thomas Warren Martz, b. Feb. 28, 1972.
3. James Lawrence Osborn, b. March 14, 1950.
- m. Sept. 5, 1969, Bobbie Yount, b. Aug. 31, 1950.
4. Evelyn Louise Osborn, b. March 4, 1952.
5. Emily Ruth Osborn, b. Sept. 20, 1955.
3. Carlos Ralph Osborn, b. Dec. 24, 1918.

Enlisted Army Air Corps, 1936; Ret., Lt. Col.,
Air Force, 1962.

m. June 14, 1942, Jean Keith, b. Nov. 3, 1919.

Children of Carlos R. and Jean Keith Osborn:

1. Martha Jean Osborn, b. Nov. 10, 1949.
- m. May 29, 1969, David R. Harnisch, b.
Children of David R. and Martha Osborn Harnisch:
Jill Elaine Harnisch, b. Sept. 22, 1970.

4. Clifton James Osborn, b. 1921; d. five days after birth.
5. Murray Junior Osborn, b. Jan 11, 1924.

Teacher of music, Rock Island, Ill. schools.

m. Aug. 20, 1946, Joyce Evelyn Freed, b. May 3, 1926.

Children of Murray J. and Joyce Freed Osborn:

1. Ann Lynn Osborn, b. March 25, 1952.
- m. July 31, 1971, Charles Oliver Austin, III.
2. John Murray Osborn, b. Nov. 22, 1953.
3. Mary Susan Osborn, b. Dec. 3, 1956.
4. Paul J. Osborn, b. Dec. 4, 1958.
6. Frank Melvin Osborn, b. Nov. 21, 1926; d. July 4, 1939.
7. Jacque Eugene Osborn, b. March 12, 1929.

Teacher, unmarried.

7. DORA IRENE OSBORN, b. July 23, 1898, Livingston Co. Ill.

m. Ernest Clouse Fisk, b. Aug. 8, 1898; d. Jan. 9, 1970.

Children of Ernest C. and Dora Osborn Fisk:

1. Richard Dean Fisk, b. May 3, 1926, Caldwell, Idaho.
- m. June 22, 1947, Barbara Elaine Grammer, in Boise,
Idaho.

Children of Richard D. and Barbara Grammer Fisk:

1. Valerie Ann Fisk, b. May 4, 1948.
- m. Sept. 11, 1965, Terry Richard Arp, b. Sept. 19,
1946. (Divorced, 1970)

1918 (Dorson, 1910)

m. Sept. 11, 1882, Terry Richard Ains, b. Sept. 18,

f. Ainsie Ann Fisk, b. May 4, 1848

Children of Richard D. and Barbara Gammeter Fisk:

1891

m. June 25, 1847, Benson Elmer Gammeter, 10 boys,

f. Richard Dean Fisk, b. May 7, 1828, (Dorson, 1890)

Children of Elmer C. and Rosa Gammeter Fisk:

m. Elmer Claude Fisk, b. Aug. 8, 1898, 4 Jan. 8, 1910,

N. DORA IRENE DORSON, b. July 23, 1898, Livingston Co. 18

Children, none listed.

1. Lucille Elmore Osborn, b. March 15, 1870

m. Frank Nelson Osborn, b. Nov. 21, 1876, 4 July 4, 1919

4. Paul J. Osborn, b. Dec. 4, 1878

2. Mary Susan Osborn, b. Dec. 7, 1880

3. John Murray Osborn, b. Nov. 25, 1883

m. July 21, 1871, Charles Oliver Ainsie, 11

Children of Murray J. and Joyce Fisk Osborn:

m. June 28, 1898, Joyce Evelyn Fisk, b. May 7, 1878

Children of Murray J. and Joyce Fisk Osborn:

1. Murray Junior Osborn, b. Jan. 11, 1924

2. Clinton James Osborn, b. 1921, 4. Two days after birth.

3. Elaine Harriett, b. Sept. 23, 1930

Children of David R. and Martha Gammeter Osborn:

m. May 23, 1883, David H. Harriett, b.

1. Martha Jean Osborn, b. Nov. 10, 1889

Children of Charles R. and Jean Keith Osborn:

m. June 14, 1897, Jean Keith, b. Nov. 3, 1879

4th Floor, 1885

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2. Caroline Ralph Osborn, b. Dec. 24, 1878

3. Emily Ruth Osborn, b. Sept. 20, 1880

4. Evelyn Louise Osborn, b. March 4, 1883

m. Sept. 8, 1889, Robert Ainsie, b. Aug. 31, 1880

1. James Lawrence Osborn, b. March 14, 1880

Children of James and Margaret Osborn Fisk:

m. April 4, 1870, James Fisk, b. Sept. 10, 1843

2. Margaret Susan Osborn, b. Feb. 5, 1880

3. David Andrew Ballard, b. Feb. 14, 1883

4. Paul William Ballard, b. Sept. 12, 1885

Children of Ronald and Jane Osborn Ballard:

- m. May 4, 1972, Robert U. Hermann, b. Dec. 15, 1940.
Children of Terry R. and Valerie Fisk Arp:
Richard Johann Arp, b. Aug. 27, 1967,
Corvallis, Or.
Children of Robert and Valerie Fisk Hermann:
Tiffany Suzann Hermann, b. July 21, 1973, at
Boise, Idaho.
2. Kathryn Elaine Fisk, b. Aug. 23, 1950.
m. Steven Michael Burgess,
b. Aug. 2, 1950.
Children of Steven M. and Kathryn Fisk Burgess:
Philip Michael Burgess, b. Feb. 16, 1970, at
Boise, Idaho.
3. Deana Marie Fisk, b. July 18, 1952.
m. May 27, 1972, Gary Dean Thornton, b. June
26, 1952.

HARRY JANE SPAIN SWIFT
born September 11, 1873
died November 28, 1971



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in May 23, 1953; Gary Dean Hammond, b. June 28, 1985.

Elmer, Idaho.

Philip Michael Gude, b. Feb. 10, 1930, at
Children of Steven M. and Kathryn Kirk Gude;
b. Aug. 3, 1960.

in Steven Michael Gude.

3 Kathryn Elaine Gude, b. Aug. 23, 1960.

Grove, Idaho.

Elmer, Gordon Hammond, b. July 21, 1912, at

Children of Robert and Virginia Kirk Hammond;

Gonzalez, Or.

Richard William Gude, b. Aug. 21, 1963.

Children of Terry R. and Virginia Kirk Gude.

1940

in May 4, 1913; Robert U. Hammond, b. Dec. 10,



ELIAKIM ABIUD SWEET
born, April 18, 1830
died, March 4, 1896

MARY JANE SPAWR SWEET
born, November 11, 1833
died, November 28, 1914



Married: October 7, 1852.

Children:

Oscar A. Sweet

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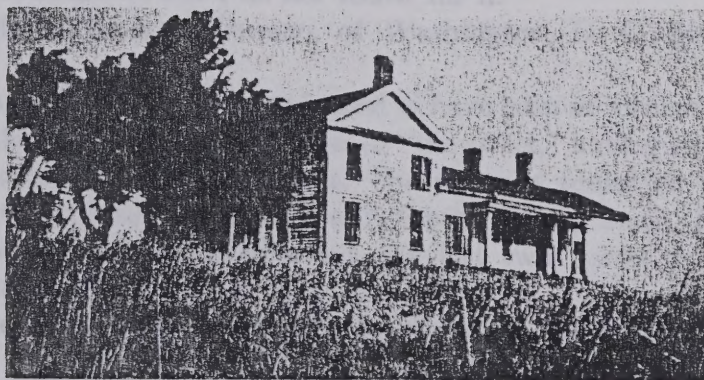
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MAP AND ORIGINAL JAMES SWEET HOUSE ON SWEETS HILL,
DESTROYED BY FIRE, 1956



Mrs. and General James Smith House on Capitol Hill
 Designed by G.H. 1916

"Lest We Forget"

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The records of descent are incomplete in some places, but much of it is correct, taken from old family Bibles, and what was known to be true by my husband's parents.

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The genealogy is not complete, but what I have written of the direct line is correct for several generations; three, however, are missing, in the Sweet line, due to the records at Exeter, Rhode Island, having been lost in the Church fire.

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The Media Research Bureau, of Washington, D. C., gives the following:

The name of *Sweet* or *Swett* is said to have been of ancient Saxon origin and derived from the nickname of "the sweet," having reference to the disposition of its first bearer. The name is found on ancient records in the various forms of Swet, Swete, Suete, Sweit, Sweete, Swette, Sweet, and Swett, of which the last two forms are those most generally accepted in America today.

Families of this name were to be found at early dates in the counties of Oxford, Cambridge, Devon, Somerset, York, and London and were, for the most part, of the landed gentry and yeomanry of Great Britain.

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of Adam Swet of Oxfordshire in 1273, Roger Swet of Cambridge-shire about the same time, Roger Swett or Swet of Cambridge about the time of King Edward the First, Walter Swete of Somerset County in the time of King Edward the Third, Johannes Suete in Yorkshire in 1379, John Swete of Devonshire in the early sixteenth century, and Robert Sweete of London in 1578.

The above mentioned John Swete of Devonshire is said to have been the father of (among others) Adrian and Robert, of whom the first is said to have been the father of John Sweet of Boston and the second is said to have been the father by his wife Johanna of a son named John, who emigrated to Salem, Massachusetts, about 1630.

According to this line, John Sweet of Salem brought with him from England his wife Mary and their children, John, James, and Meribah (who later changed her name to Renewed), but died shortly after his emigration. Other authorities claim, however, that the father of the children above mentioned and the husband of the widow Mary Sweet of Salem was named Isaac.

John Sweet, the elder of the two brothers above mentioned, removed from Salem to Warwick, R. I., and thence to Kingstown and Newport, in the same colony. By his wife, Elizabeth Jeffrey, whom he is said to have married about 1651, he is believed to have been the father of John, Daniel, James, Henry, Richard, Benjamin, William, Jeremiah, and a daughter whose name is not known.

James, younger brother of John of Rhode Island, also resided in Warwick and later at Kingstown and is said to have had issue by his wife, Mary Green, of nine children, Philip, James, Mary, Benoni, Valentine, Samuel, Jeremiah, Renewed and Sylvester.

Still another John Sweet or Swett is said to have resided at Wickford in the latter part of the seventeenth century and to have died about 1717, leaving at least four children, John, Deborah, James, and Mary, and possibly others.

One Silas Sweet, who may have been descended from one of the earlier branches of the family in America, was resident at New Bedford, Mass., about 1770 and is believed to have been married in 1775 to Mary Blackmer, by whom he had James, Eber, Paul, Silas, Ruth, and Susan.

Others of the name who emigrated to America at early dates

of Adam Sweet of Oxfordshire in 1273. Roger Sweet of Cambridge-
shire about the same time. Roger Sweet of Somerset County
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in the time of King Edward the Third. Johannes Sweet of Yorkshire
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One Elias Sweet, who may have been descended from one of the
earlier branches of the family in America, was resident at New
Bedford, Mass. about 1750 and is believed to have been married in
1725 to Mary Blackmer, by whom he had James, Eber, Paul, Elias,
Ruth, and Susan.

Others of the name who emigrated to America at early dates

but left few records of themselves and their families were Thomas Sweet of New England in 1634, William Sweet of Roxbury, Mass., in 1654, John Swett of Narragansett in 1687, Henry Sweet of Swansea (who married Elizabeth Walker in 1687 and is said to have been the father of five children), and John Sweet of Charlestown, Mass., prior to the year 1695.

The descendants of these various branches of the family in America have spread to practically every State of the Union and have aided as much in the growth of the country as their ancestors aided in the founding of the nation. They have been noted for their energy, ambition, industry, integrity, piety, moral and physical strength, perseverance, fortitude, resourcefulness, initiative, courage and leadership.

Among those of the name who fought as officers in the War of the Revolution were Lieutenant Abraham Swett or Sweet (name spelled both ways on the Revolutionary records) of Massachusetts, Surgeon Caleb Sweet of New York, Ensign Samuel Sweet of Rhode Island, Surgeon Stephen and Lieutenant Thomas Sweet of Massachusetts, and Lieutenant Thomas Sweet of Rhode Island.

Roger, John, Robert, James, Samuel, Benjamin, Thomas, Henry, and William are some of the Christian names most highly favored by the family for its male members.

One of the most ancient and frequently recurrent of the several coats-of-arms of the family is described as follows:

Arms—"Gules two chevrons between as many mullets in chief and a rose in base argent, seeded or, barbed vert."

Crest—A mullet or pierced azure between two gilly flowers proper.

(Arms from Burke's "General Armory," 1884).

As far as we can accurately trace the Sweet Line, it starts with James Sweet of Rhode Island, born Exeter, R. I., 1767.

This James may have been descended from anyone of the afore-said James or Johns, and it would seem quite likely through the line of Mary Green, who married a James Sweet, of Warwick, R. I. as the same names, including Benoni and Dytha, as well as many Johns, James, and Williams appear in our line. James' son, William, had a

daughter Dytha. Benoni was the originator of the great and famous "Bone Setter Sweets."

James Sweet, of our direct line, was born in Exeter, Rhode Island, September 10, 1767. He married Eleanor Barbour, at Exeter, R. I. The Barbours were Tories and as James was a Whig, he was invited to leave the state. James left Rhode Island and joined General Sullivan's army in fighting their way to drive out the Indians from the upper part of New York State.

It was a hard fight, and, finally arriving in Seneca County, James acquired a Land Grant,* and settled on a large tract of land, which he cleared for farming and built a house, sending for his wife, Eleanor Barbour.

Here they lived and raised a large family. Both James and Eleanor died in this home and their son William continued to live there and raised his family. It was and still is known as "Sweets Hill," and the old farm house is still standing, old and forlorn.

William married Clara Catlin. William was the brother of our direct ancestor, Lemuel Sweet.

William and Clara Catlin Sweet had the following children:

Israel Catlin Sweet
Edward
Stephen
William
Dytha
Mary Ann
Joseph
Oliver
Andrew
James
Henry Clay

I remember when I first came into the family, Mother and Father Sweet drove my husband and myself up to Sweet's Hill, to call on a descendant of the original Sweets, William, I think. He was very feeble

* Revolutionary land grant was given to James either by his brother or his father. Records of Vital Statistics, Waterloo, show land record, changing of owners, but do not show James' father's name.

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